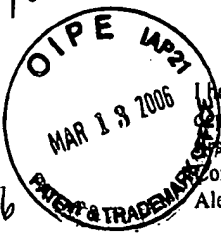


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DEVICE OF A MACHINE TOOL)
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FOR THE ORIENTATION OF)
THE SPINDLE)

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